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For: **DEVICE FOR SECURING SPINAL RODS**

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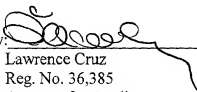
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Granted dated March 21, 2002, Applicant(s) enclose herewith substitute drawings, with
appropriate margins and consecutive Arabic numerals in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84.

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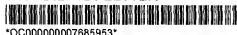
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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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